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SUBJ: DOMSAT CASE

REF: A) JAKARTA 2004, B) JAKARTA 1929

1. COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER EMIL SALIM FEBRUARY 14 RELEASED TO THE PRESS THE CONTENTS OF THE FEBRUARY 10 HUGHES AIRCRAFT COMPANY TELEX TO HIM IN WHICH THE COMPANY DENIED ANY WRONGDOING IN CONNECTION WITH THE INDONESIAN DOMSAT. SALIM DISCLOSED THE HUGHES DENIAL FOLLOWING A REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PALAPA CASE, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS AGAIN ORDERED TO CONTINUE HIS INVESTIGATION. SALIM REITERATED TO THE PRESS HIS EARLIER PUBLIC COMMENTS THAT SO FAR NO EVIDENCE OF IRREGULARITIES HAD BEEN UNCOVERED.

2. SALIM SAID HE HOPED TO HAVE A CLEARER PICTURE OF THE CASE BY THE END OF THE MONTH, BASED ON AMBASSADOR RUSMIN'S CONVERSATIONS WITH EXIM OFFICIALS AND ON FURTHER EXPLANATIONS CURRENTLY BEING SOUGHT FROM HUGHES, GTE, TELECONSULT AND DR. CHEATHAM, PRESIDENT SUHARTO HAS INSTRUCTED THAT THE LAUNCH OF PALAPA II, SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 11, BE CARRIED OUT AS PLANNED. SALIM HAS ORDERED THE DIRGEN FOR POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND PERUMTEL TO CARRY ON WITH WORK AS USUAL.

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3. QUESTIONED BY THE PRESS ABOUT DPR COMMISSION VII CHAIRMAN RACHMAT MULJOMISENO'S SUGGESTION FOR FORMATION OF A SPECIAL TEAM TO INVESTIGATE THE CASE FURTHER (REF A), SALIM REPLIED THAT THE SUGGESTION HAD BEEN MADE OUTSIDE OFFICIAL CHANNELS. HE SAID THE CONCLUSION AGREED UPON DURING HIS SESSION WITH DPR COMMISSION V (COMMUNICA-

TIONS) WAS THAT HE SHOULD CONTINUE WITH THE INVESTIGATION
ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE PRESIDENT. SALIM
ALSO REPORTEDLY SAID THAT HT EXPECTED THAT HOUSE MEMBERS
WOULD PREVENT POLITICAL DEBATE, WHICH COULD AFFECT
THE PALAPA II LAUNCH PROGRAM.
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